HOUSE BILL 1784

By Alexander

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 26-2-216, relative to the form garnishment notice.

WHEREAS, in 1994, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 26-2-214, was amended by Public Chapter 827 to increase the maximum length of time for which a garnishment creates a lien on a portion of a debtor's wages from three months to six months; and

WHEREAS, the form garnishment notice to the debtor in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 26-2-216, has never been amended to reflect this change in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 26-2-214; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 26-2-216(b)(2), is amended by deleting the language:

The garnishment creates a lien on a portion of your wages until the judgment is satisfied, or for three (3) months, whichever occurs first.

and substituting instead the language:

The garnishment creates a lien on a portion of your wages until the judgment is satisfied, or for six (6) months, whichever occurs first.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.